



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Visitor Center Donor Garden

LOCATION: Anza-Borrego Desert State Park **COUNTY:** San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Construct an outdoor donor acknowledgement area on the eastern side of the Visitor Center amphitheatre at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park Visitor Center garden. Area will comprise a seating area with an 18" deep semicircular concrete bench atop tan slump block, three granite boulders with donor plaques, and a ground surface of stabilized decomposed granite. There will be two paths of travel to the seating area, both compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act: a path from the north that connects with the existing accessible trail in the native plant garden, and a concrete path from the southeast corner of the existing amphitheatre. The donor acknowledgment area will be located underneath an existing desert willow. Some clearing of shrubs and vegetation may be required.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS: ☒ Categorical Exemption *Class:* 4, 11 *Section:* 15304, 15311

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and construction of minor structures accessory to (appurtenant to) existing institutional facilities.

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